

Open Minutes
Missouri State Committee of Interpreters
April 14, 2000 – 10:00 a.m.
Division of Professional Registration
3605 Missouri Boulevard - Jefferson City, Missouri

At 10:03 a.m., Missouri State Committee of Interpreters convened by telephone conference call at the Division of Professional Registration, 3605 Missouri Boulevard, Jefferson City, Missouri. Kimberly McEnulty, Chairperson called the meeting to order and Betty Kramer, Public Member and Secretary facilitated roll call.

State Committee Members Present

Kimberly McEnulty, Chairperson
Betty Kramer, Public Member and Secretary
Sandy Drummond
Loretto Durham
Carrie McCray (participated in the conference call from the division)

Staff Present

Loree Kessler, Executive Director
Patty Herzing, Licensure Technician
Mark Schoon, Assistant Attorney General

Ms. McEnulty stated she would be voting in open and closed sessions. Because Ms. McCray has not received Senate confirmation she would not be voting but would be present for open and closed sessions.

A motion was made by Ms. Kramer and seconded by Ms. Durham to approve the open session agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Ms. Kramer and seconded by Ms. Drummond to approve the open session minutes of the March 14, 2000 meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

State Committee Appointments

The state committee welcomed Carrie McCray. Ms. McCray is scheduled for Senate confirmation on April 19, 2000. Ms. Durham was also congratulated on her reappointment.

Budget Update

The executive director provided an overview of operational costs to date and explained that in reviewing various transfers with the division it was noted that transfers had been made based upon receiving 600 licensees. Because the state committee had licensed approximately 300 interpreters, the transfers required adjustment. During the March meeting the total expenses accrued since fiscal year 1998 were over \$83,000 and with the adjustments made by the division the amount due was approximately \$63,000.

In order to pay back this amount and operate the state committee a fee increase is required. The division has recommended the renewal fee increase to \$90 annually and it would be filed

with proposed rule changes. Additionally, there would be no out of state travel and limited travel in-state. Conference calls would be used as much as possible to reduce expenses.

Meeting with BCI

At the request of the BCI, today's meeting was cancelled. The state committee requested the executive director proceed with filing the rule changes.

Additionally, the state committee discussed the impact of possible changes to the certification rules. It was suggested that the state committee remain in contact with the commission executive director and staff concerning any proposed rule changes as approved at the February meeting. Additionally, MCD needs to be apprised that renewal fee will be increased from \$60 to \$90.

Ms. Drummond indicated she would try to attend the commission meeting on April 16th. The executive director stated she would try to contact the commission office to request some time on the open session agenda. Ms. Drummond indicated she wanted to highlight the state committee's discussion regarding the interpreter shortage and any long range planning the commission may have in place to address this matter.

It was requested the executive director contact the commission office to make sure the state committee was on the commission agenda for the July meeting. Ms. Drummond and the executive director would attend this meeting and other state committee members would attend if possible.

Meeting Schedule

A conference call was scheduled for June 8, 2000 at 1:30 p.m.

At 10:40 a.m. a motion was made by Ms. Kramer and seconded by Ms. Drummond to convene in closed session pursuant to section 610.021 subsection (14) and 620.010.14 subsection (7) RSMo for the purpose of discussing investigative reports and/or complaints and/or audits and/or other information pertaining to the license or applicant, section 610.021 subsection (1) RSMo for the purpose of discussing general legal actions, causes of action or litigation and any confidential or privileged communications between this agency and its attorney and for the purpose of reviewing and approving closed meeting minutes of one or more previous meetings under the subsection 610.021 which authorized this agency to go into closed session during those meetings. Motion carried unanimously.

At 11:14 a.m., a motion was made by Ms. Drummond and seconded by Ms. Durham to convene in open session. State committee members voting aye; Ms. Kramer, Ms. Drummond, Ms. Durham and Ms. McEnulty. Motion carried unanimously.

At 11:20 a.m., a motion was made by Ms. Kramer and seconded by Ms. Durham to adjourn the telephone conference call. Motion carried unanimously. Meeting adjourned.

Executive Director

Approved by State Committee on June 8, 2000